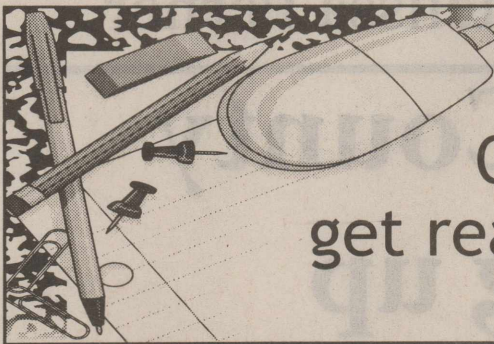


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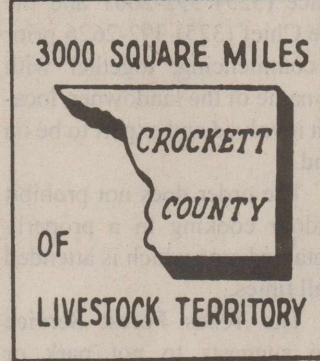
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Board requests call for \$10 million bond election

Commissioners to make final approval March 10

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

In a unanimous vote, the Crockett County CCSD Board of Trustees approved a request to hold a \$10 million bond election on May 10.

The request is for the Crockett County Commissioners' Court to call a bond election during their March 10 monthly meeting. March 10 is the last day to call for a bond for the May 10 election date.

The \$10 million is for building a new elementary school that will house Pre-K through 5th grades at the current Ozona Primary School site, along with upgrades to other district buildings.

One of the upgrades is to replace the windows at the Ozona High School Heritage Building.

Superintendent Abe Gott said there may be a need to purchase windows for the Heritage

Building before the bond election if the district is going to have them installed this summer.

As for the new elementary school, architect Douglas Koehne said he plans on meeting with the design committee Thursday, Feb. 28, to present them with a design of four different elementary buildings.

Gott also said that the building plans show the original square-footage to be less than the original square-footage.

"The committee will then come up with a consensus of which particular building they want to go with, and whatever decision the design committee comes up with we will proceed along into the design development," Koehne said.

By the end of March, Koehne said he is hoping to have 95 percent of the design finished and pictures made to publish and present to the community as

information starts being distributed about the bond.

Tentatively, public meetings about the bond are expected to be held at all four school buildings, Gott said.

An invitation for any church to host a meeting will also be extended, Gott said.

The design committee will also meet with Koehne again to help with decisions on the aesthetic look of the school.

"I don't want to let go of the design committee because they are such a great resource to the community," Koehne said.

STUDENT INCIDENT AT HIGH SCHOOL

On Feb. 18, Gott said school officials received notification from the Crockett County Sheriff's Office that some students received text messages on their cell phone indicating that an incident would take place on Feb. 19. The text message indicated

the incident would be in a specific room on specific campus.

Gott said the incident was not a bomb threat.

All the principals were notified about the incident and extra security measures were put in place at Ozona High School on Feb. 19.

Teachers were instructed to lock their doors, while district maintenance, custodial and other employees monitored the halls and outside the buildings, Gott said.

By 9:30 a.m., school officials had the three students in custody who had sent the messages.

"(The students) thought it was a joke, nobody else did," Gott said. "Everybody jumped into action."

"We treated this like it was the real thing," added Carole Allen, OHS Principal.

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Sonora teen sentenced to five years probation for bomb threat

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

A Sonora teenager was sentenced to five years probation for helping to commit a bomb threat to the Sonora school system.

Bianca Deanne Lozano, 19, was sentenced by Judge Brock Jones on Feb. 22 at the Crockett County Courthouse. A week earlier, on Feb. 13, a Crockett County jury of seven women and five men found Lozano guilty of terroristic threat, a third degree felony.

Lozano's five years of probation also includes orders to pay \$5,000 in restitution to the Sonora Independent School District, \$545 in court costs and for her to perform 300 hours of community service. Also part of her probation is for Lozano to undergo some anger management counseling, a psychological evaluation and a curfew of 10 p.m. on weekdays and midnight on weekends.

Violation of any terms of the probation can result in the state filing a motion to impose a prison sentence or modify the probation terms.

"I thought the judgment by Judge Jones was fair under the circumstances. We do not need anyone making bomb threats to our schools. I think everyone will recognize the severity of this situation and that young people will understand they have to take responsibility for their actions," said Orlando De Hoyos, Lozano's attorney. "In this particular case, Miss Lozano fully understands the consequences of her action."

Lozano was involved in a second bomb threat made to SISD in February 2006.

Both bomb threats led to the evacuation of all SISD buildings causing the district to cancel classes on those days.

In her testimony during the sentencing hearing, Lozano apologized for her actions.

"I want to tell the community of Sonora that I am sorry. I didn't think it would get this far," she said.

Lozano also testified that it has been difficult to find employment in Sonora, and that all she has been able to do is baby-sitting for some Sonora families.

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Murphey Black wins Grand Champion Finewool at San Antonio Stock Show

By **SUSIE BISHOP**
 Extension Agent-FCA

Fifteen Crockett County 4-Hers participated in the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo from Feb. 10-15.

Members exhibiting lambs, goats and swine included Kara Bird, Murphey and Allie Black, Latham Ducote, Kramer Hall, Lane Hale, Alex Hopper, Cuatro Jones, Chelsea Moore, Wesley McGuire, Abby and Taylor Newton, Jady and Lexi Poindexter, Kelbie Renfroe and Katelyn Tidwell.

We had 11 exhibitors participate in the Junior Market Goat Show.

The placings are as follows: Class 1-Allie Black 9th place, Class 2-Kara Bird 6th place, Class 3-Murphey Black 13th, Class 4-Kelbie Renfroe 2nd, Class 9-Katelyn Tidwell 13th.

In the Finewool Lamb Show placings were: Class 1-Wesley McGuire-5th, Class 4-Murphey Black 1st, Class 5-Lane Hale-4th.

In class three of the Finewool Cross Lamb show Allie Black placed 2nd. In Class 9 of the Medium Wool lamb show Kelbie Renfroe had an 8th place.

Murphey's class 4 first place lamb went on to win Grand Champion Finewool.

With this win Murphey also won a \$10,000 scholarship.

A congratulations goes out to all of the exhibitors.

The next stop is the San Angelo Livestock Show and Rodeo.

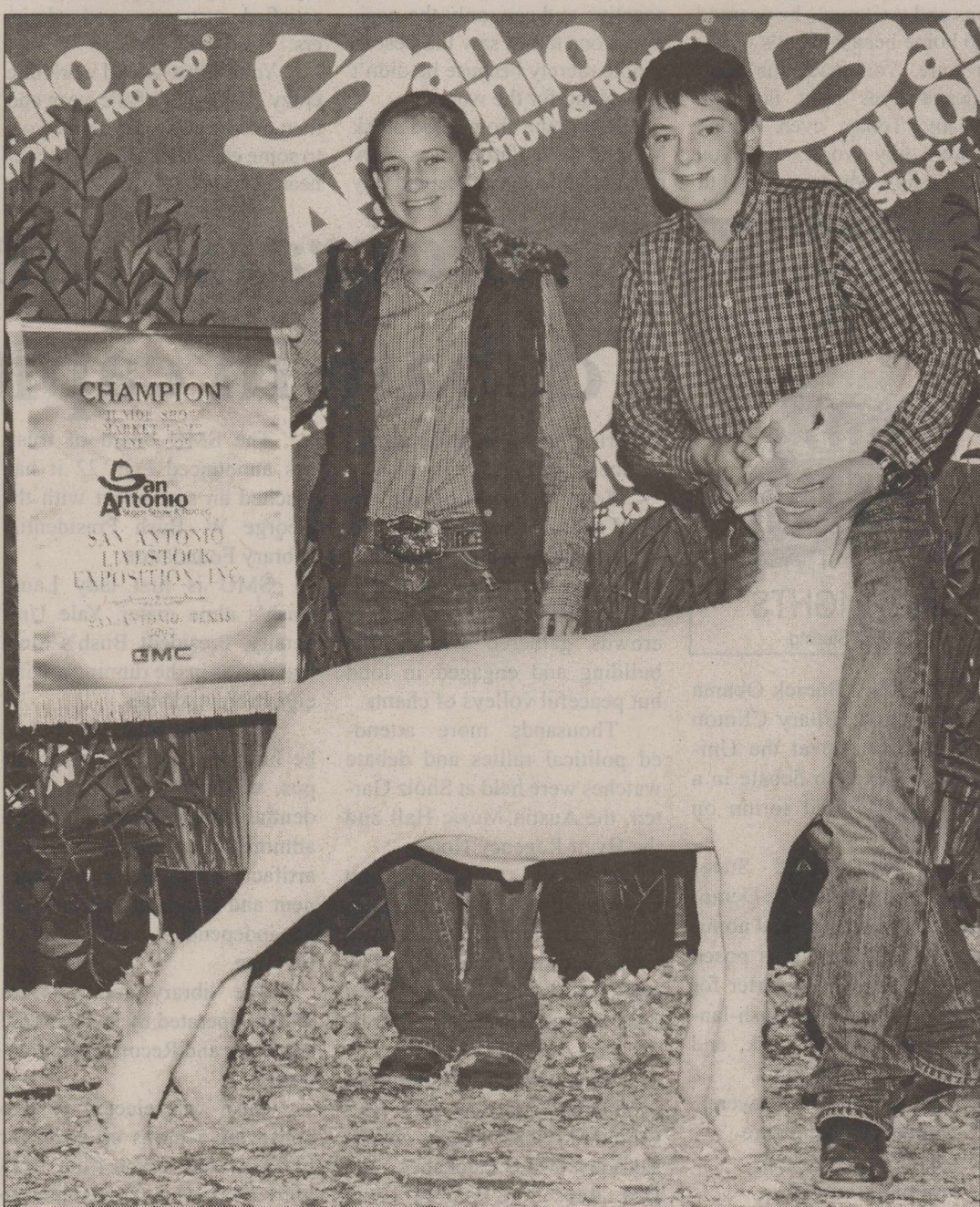
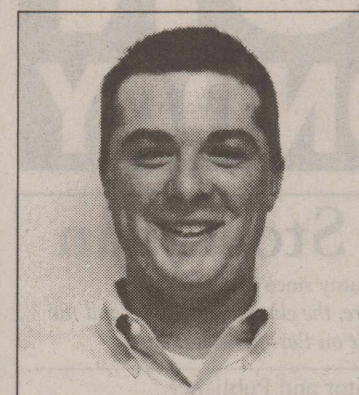


Photo courtesy of Barker Photography and the San Antonio Stock Show
MURPHEY BLACK won Grand Champion Finewool Lamb at the 2008 San Antonio Stock Show held Feb. 10-15. Murphey also won a \$10,000 scholarship. Pictured with Murphey is his sister Allie Black who placed second in the Finewool Cross Lamb show. Both Crockett County 4-Hers also participated in the Junior Market Goat Show.

McPhaul chosen as county agent



CHASE MCPHAUL

Chase McPhaul has been chosen as the new Crockett County Extension Agent-Agriculture and Natural Resources

in Ozona.

McPhaul, 24, is a graduate of Reagan County High School in Big Lake.

He attended Howard Junior College in Big Spring where he was on the Livestock Judging Team. McPhaul then graduated from Texas Tech University with a degree in agricultural leadership.

McPhaul participated in 4-H activities, including showing livestock, while he was in middle and high school.

"I've always wanted to be a county agent and I am enjoying Ozona," he said.

Early voting ends Friday

By **MELISSA PERNER**
 Editor and Publisher

Early voting ends Friday, Feb. 29, in the Texas Primary Election. Early voting is open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the courthouse annex.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. on March 4 Primary Election Day.

Polling places are:

Precinct 1 - Courthouse.

Precinct 2 - Senior Center.

Precinct 3 - Civic Center.

Precinct 4 - Primary School.

Nationally, Texas is still being considered a make-or-break state for presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama.

In the contested U.S. Senator's race, those running are Richard J. (Rick) Noriega, Gene Kelly, Ray McMurrey and Rhett R. Smith.

Local contested races are incumbent Shane Fenton and Roy

Glenn Sutton for Crockett County Sheriff, and incumbent Randy Branch and Wesley J. Bean for commissioner precinct 3.

Local non-contested races are: District Attorney, 112th Judicial District, Laurie K. English; County Attorney, Jody Upham; County Tax Assessor-Collector, Rhonda Shaw and County Constable, Raymond P. (Bear) Borrego.

Statewide, there is a contested race for railroad commissioner between Dale Henry, Art Hall and Mark Thompson.

Other state contested races are Justice, Supreme Court, Place 7 between Sam Houston and Baltasar D. Cruz; Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8 between Susan Criss and Linda Reyna Yanez and Justice, 8th Court of Appeals District, Place 3, Unexpired Term between David C. Guaderrama and Guadalupe "Lupe" Rivera.

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What's on My Mind by Melissa Perner

Keep Crockett County from burning up

Texas is dry. As I travel from my house located in the southwestern part of Crockett County to town each week, along with the trips San Angelo we all make, I see brown, dry grass. As the old joke goes: "The cows are giving evaporated milk and the trees are whistling for the dogs." A sad Texan once prayed, "I wish it would rain - not so much for me, cuz I've seen it -- but for my 7-year-old." A visitor to Texas once asked, "Does it ever rain out here?" A rancher quickly answered "Yes, it does. Do you remember that part in the Bible where it rained for 40 days and 40 nights?" The visitor replied, "Yes, I'm familiar with Noah's flood." "Well, "the rancher puffed up, "we got about two

and a half inches of that." At least that is what it feels like so far in 2008. Those rains in 2007 were more than needed, but now all that former green grass is burning up. In the first two months of the New Year, our local fire department has responded to more than 60 calls already with the majority of them being grass fires. Out of Texas's 252 counties, 190 of them (including Crockett County) have adopted burn bans. Governor Rick Perry has issued a disaster declaration and asked for federal help in combating grass fires. In his letter, Perry identified 184 counties, including Crockett County, presently threatened or impacted by wildfires. To date, 75 wildfires have burned approximately 70,000 acres and destroyed 60 homes

and structures. As Crockett County citizens, we can do our part by obeying the county's burn ban and thinking before we decide to light anything up. The burn ban states that outdoor burning is restricted except for burning related to fire fighter training, public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations, planting or harvesting of agricultural crops or burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, National Resource Conservation Service, the and/or Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station, or prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code. All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's

Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand. The order does not prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times. The Texas Forest Service also suggests to not park or drive in dry grass, double check for loose chains hanging from a moving vehicle that may make contact with the pavement, wet down the work area when welding and keep a bucket of water or a fire extinguisher nearby, clear combustible materials away from the house and always check the weather conditions before doing any outdoor burning. Just think before lighting any sparks.

IT'S THE PITTS BY LEE PITTS

Letter To Mason

Dear Mason, I hope I'm still around to deliver this letter to you when you are old enough to understand it but if not I've asked your mother to give it to you. I have just returned from a memorial service for your father, Andy Peek. There were about 1,300 people at the service, some of them standing outside in the rain to honor your father. Many more would have been there if a nasty storm hadn't blocked their path from Oregon where your father had many friends. He had a lot of friends everywhere as many fine folks traveled half way across the continent to be there today. Mason, your father loved you very much. During his operations and treatments he yearned to go home because that's where you were. You made his pain-deadened eyes light up with pure joy. Today, even though you were only two years old you stole the show when you left your

mother's arms to stand in front of a large picture of your father projected on a huge screen. We could all see the striking resemblance. And when you pointed to the picture of Andy and said "Daddy, Daddy," there wasn't a dry eye in the house. And these were no softies, but hardened ranch families who deal with life and death on a daily basis. Yours was the most gut wrenching speech of the day. I took the death of your father hard as he was one of my very best friends. And I mean that in every sense of the word. Quite simply, your father was the most decent human being I ever met. He never dwelled on the negative and saw only the positive. Your father saw the best in people merely because he didn't go looking for the worst. You come from good stock Mason. Your father was very humble and never received any

credit for all the good things he did because he walked in the shadow of your grandfather, Ellington Peek, a legend in the cattle industry. It can't be easy to walk in the footsteps of a giant. Greatness in the father often defeats the son. They stand too near each other and the shadow stunts the growth. Not your father. Greatness often times skips generations. Not in your family Mason. Your father sure got a lot out of his too-short life. He was a very successful businessman, the manager of one of the largest livestock auctions in western America and president of the second largest video auction company. He built dozens of houses and many businesses. Unlike most businessmen I've met, your father never was in it for the money. He never got used to the high life, nor did he spend his years acquiring expensive toys. Mostly he acquired friends, satisfied customers and admirers. Your father would work like crazy 51 weeks of the year and then one week a year he'd be off to some exotic locale that I never heard of. He had such a thirst for

knowledge, a taste for adventure and was wise in so many ways. Mason, in dying your father taught us all how to live. He fought a valiant battle until the end and when he could no longer talk he balled his hands into fists and gave cancer a couple upper cuts. Never once did he utter a defeatist word. Plenty of tears were shed but I never heard of a single one that came from your father's eyes. He was good, sweet, decent Andy until the end, without bitterness, depression, fears or tears. Your father handled his dying as he did his living, with grace, dignity and courage. After his final operation your Uncle Brad called me and put Andy on the phone. Keep in mind that your father had just hours earlier been told he had but weeks to live. Your dad said, "Lee, I know what the Doctors have said and I haven't figured it out yet what I'm going to do but I'm going to think of some way to turn this into a win." And he did. As always, your father was a man of his word. Mason, I like to think that you are your father's final victory. Sincerely, Lee Pitts

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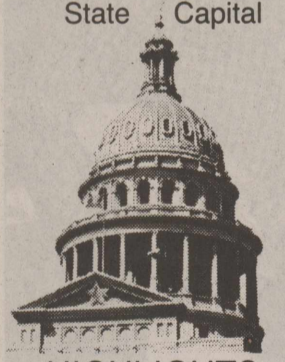
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HIGHLIGHTS
 By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Barack Obama of Illinois and Hillary Clinton of New York met at the University of Texas to debate in a nationally televised forum on Feb. 21. The two United States senators, vying to be the Democratic Party's presidential nominee, answered questions posed by Jorge Ramos, a reporter for Univision, the Spanish-language television network, and CNN reporter John King. Among many topics were: universal health care, economy/trade/jobs, immigration policy, federal taxation, Iraq strategy, care for wounded veterans, care for military families. Clinton suggested her experience should make her the clear choice for Democratic voters. Obama asked for voters' help in his effort to change the nation's capital from a place "where good ideas go to die" and work with him to help

Democratic candidates debate in capital city

America "live up to its promise" of liberty and justice for all. Forty-thousand people applied to attend the debate in the UT recreation center, but admittance was limited to 1,000. Pro-Hillary and Pro-Barack crowds gathered outside the building and engaged in loud but peaceful volleys of chants. Thousands more attended political rallies and debate watches were held at Sholz Garten, the Austin Music Hall and the Hyatt Regency Hotel. To cap the debate, an Obama rally the following evening in downtown Austin drew a crowd estimated at 30,000. The city of Austin closed off streets near the rally to vehicular traffic. Meanwhile, Republican candidates U.S. Sen. John McCain of Arizona, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, and U.S. Rep. Ron Paul of Clute scheduled appearances in various cities in advance of the Texas GOP primary. Party primaries are set for March 4, and early voting ends Feb. 29. SMU CHOSEN AS BUSH LIBRARY SITE The future site of the George W. Bush Presidential Library will be Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

The SMU board of trustees announced Feb. 22 it had reached an agreement with the George W. Bush Presidential Library Foundation. SMU is first lady Laura Bush's alma mater. Yale University, President Bush's alma mater, was in the running among eight potential sites. A "Presidential Center," to be built on SMU's main campus, will consist of the presidential library containing Bush administration documents and artifacts, a museum with permanent and traveling exhibits and an independent public policy institute. The library and museum will be operated by the National Archives and Records Administration. Bush was elected to two consecutive terms as governor of Texas and served from 1995 until 2000, when he resigned to run for president. CITY CONSIDERS OWNING WIND FARM The City of Austin's utility company, Austin Energy, is looking into renewable or "greener" energy solutions for the future. Michael McCluskey, deputy general manager of Austin Energy, said the utility company might consider buying West

Texas land on which to build its own wind farm. Owning wind turbines instead of contracting for power would guarantee a supply of wind power into the future and give the utility more cost control, McCluskey said. Currently, much of Austin's energy supply comes from coal-burning power plants. 'OWN YOUR OWN FUTURE' LAUNCHED The Texas Education Agency on Feb. 22 launched a program to encourage youth to stay in school, graduate and pursue a career. The program, "Own Your Own Future," comes through a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Education Commissioner Robert Scott said the program "provides at-risk youth with career options tied to their passions and desires, all while reiterating the need to finish high school to make these achievements a reality." The program is accessed via www.ownyourfuture.com, a Web site that moves the user through a series of question-and-answer sections that help the student chart a clear path to goals and objectives and participate in the decision-making process.

Ozona Woman's Forum News

By **LINDA MOORE**
Ozona Woman's Forum

Garry and Charlotte Wester inspired Ozona Woman's Forum members and guests Feb. 19 with stories of challenges they have faced as Baptist missionaries for 20 years in South America. He is the son of Nell Wester who introduced the couple at the meeting in the parlor of First Baptist Church.

Wester, a graduate of Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary, and his wife entered the mission field in 1987, going first to Costa Rica. They spent 15 1/2 years in Ecuador and 3 1/2 years in Chile, taking the Word of God to many "people groups" while rearing their own daughter and son. Charlotte, a retired teacher, and Garry told their audience of small "micro-nations" who have never been contacted by the outside world.

The cultural diversity of South American countries is a challenge, explained the Westers, and learning to fit in, to adjust, is essential to communicating with the people.

"We have to earn the right to tell them what is in our heart, our passion," said Charlotte of the message they carry.

Wester invited his listeners to "join us in reaching South America." A program called Baptist Partners enables volunteers to join missionaries for a week or two, said Wester. Or one may become a home-based Partner by committing to adopting a tribe, neighborhood or praying for a specific tribe.

Although currently in the United States on furlough, the Westers will continue their work in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay. He supervises 120 missionaries and also trains



Submitted photo

BAPTIST MISSIONARIES Garry and Charlotte Wester wear clothing from Argentina to give a program on missionary challenges in South America to Woman's Forum members. Pictured with them is his mother, Nell Wester of Ozona, who introduced the duo at the Feb. 19 meeting.

leaders, pastors and lay leaders in starting house churches.

During the business portion of the meeting, President Jean Odom announced that Katie Friend, Diane Phillips and Celia West are new Forum members. She also thanked members for their contributions of canned goods to be donated to the Meals on Wheels program, an annual project of the Forum.

The invocation was given by Ann Shaw who also led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hostesses were: Marolyn

Bean, Marilyn Cox, Jimmie Cloudt and Bobbie Bird. Other members in attendance included: Sandy Bebee, Norma Carson, Arlene Clayton, Janie Everett, Bobbie Griffin, Betty Harrell, Virginia Hubbard, Betty Huffman, Dorothy Montgomery, Linda Moore, Brenda Newton, Jean Odom, Diane Phillips, Mary Sellers, Ann Shaw, Louise Taliaferro, Nell Wester and Rosalind Williams. Guests were: Audrey Glynn, Rev. John Collis, Nannette Vernor, Michael Hill and Donna and Pete Nieri.

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Blood Drive to be held today

A United Blood Services Blood Drive will be held from 2-6 p.m. today, Feb. 27, in the parking lot of the Crockett County Civic Center.

To donate blood, a person must be 17 years of age or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, have not donated in the past 8 weeks (16 weeks for double red cell donors), are healthy and are not currently taking antibiotics.

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Community Calendar

Wednesday, Feb. 27

- OHS Golf Teams at the Big Lake Invitational.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting, 11:30 a.m. at the Visitor Center.
- Blood Drive, 2-6 p.m. at the Civic Center parking lot.

Thursday, Feb. 28

- OHS Baseball at the Crane Tournament.
- OHS Softball at the San Angelo Tournament.
- Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Visitor Center.
- Ladies Bridge, 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.
- Diabetes support group, 5:30 p.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Little League Coaches meeting, 6 p.m. at the baseball concession stand.

Friday, Feb. 29

- Last day of Early Voting, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the courthouse annex.

- OMS Track Teams in the Ozona Relays at Lion Stadium.

- OHS Baseball at the Crane Tournament.
- OHS Softball at the San Angelo Tournament.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Nutrition/Food Pantry program, 9:30 a.m. at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.
- Mommy & Me/Daddy & Me Mardi Gras Dance, 6:30-9 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Saturday, March 1

- OHS Track Teams in the Ozona Relays at Lion Stadium.
- OHS Baseball at the Crane Tournament.
- OHS Softball at the San Angelo Tournament.

Monday, March 3

- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Future Stars Girls Basketball, 5:30 - 7 p.m. at the OHS Davidson Gym.

Tuesday, March 4

- Primary Election Day, polls open 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
- Little League Sign-ups, 5:30-7 p.m. at the baseball field.

- Band Booster meeting, 5:45 p.m. at the OHS Band Hall.

- OHS Baseball vs. Reagan County, 7 p.m. at the baseball complex.

Wednesday, March 5

- TAKS Testing at Ozona Schools.
- Exercise Classes, 8:30 a.m. at the Senior Center.
- Little League Sign-ups, 5:30-7 p.m. at the baseball field.

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Ozona Senior Happenings

By LYNN ENGLISH
Senior Center Director

Our Senior Bingo Social on Feb. 14 was a success. We had a good attendance, we all had a lot of fun and we were told that the food was good as well. It was a win, win situation. We will be having our next Senior Bingo Social in March.

On Feb. 15, Judey Pumroy from the Texas Veterans Land Bank was here at the Crockett County Senior Center to give a presentation to our veterans.

The presentation went very well and we appreciate Judey Pumroy traveling so far to bring this information to us. I especially appreciate the veterans who attended.

Katherine Russell is in the hospital in San Angelo. Katherine please get well soon as we are looking for you returning to bridge.

I talked to Patsy White, a Senior Center Board member today and she is in San Angelo sick. She is taking a strong medication so being sick was expected. We all want you to get to feeling better soon, Patsy.

Betty and Bob Hartley are still out this week and they are extremely missed. Bob's leg has begun to heal but the doctor is still looking for the cause of the swelling.

Area Agency on Agency

will be here at the Senior Center Thursday, Feb. 28 at 10-11 a.m. to answer any questions you may have or tell you where to get them answered.

The Crockett County Senior Center Board will be meeting here at the center on Tuesday March 3 at 5:30 p.m. All board members are urged to attend.

Tuesday, March 4, Helping Hands Board will be meeting at the Senior Center at 5:30 p.m. for a board meeting.

We have received a few 2008 calendars but we are in need of more.

If you will bring them to the Senior Center we will deliver them to our shut-in folks with their Meals on Wheels lunch. Louise Taliaferro we thank you for the calendars you brought last week.

Pat Cain came last week and brought a box of paper back books. Thank you Pat the books were greatly appreciated.

It will be Tuesday, March 4, before the Concho Valley Community Action will be here. They are the organization that helps those who qualify with their utilities.

You need to remember we have computers and printers here for your use. Also we rent out rooms for parties and activities. For more info call Lynn English at 392-9094.

We have a good selection of

books on our bookshelves. Drop by and check to see if there are some you would like to read. I am pleased the number of people who bring in books and of those who read them.

Come and "Walk Two Miles" with us every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. This exercise program conditions you to begin your day and everyone who participates testifies that it makes them feel energized for the day. Marolyn Bean, Brenda Newton, Norma Carson, Janet Moore and Betty Fields are faithful about coming. Our morning exercise group are doing good and growing. Some of you procrastinators need to get up and join these ladies to "sculpture your body."

Monday and Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. is when the bridge players come to the Senior Center to play their favorite past time game. These ladies are in all smiles, bringing snacks and enjoy each others company.

Playing bridge last week were Sandy Bebee, Dorothy Friend, Celia West, Charlotte Harrell, Liz Williams, Jean Odom, Marolyn Bean, Marilyn Cox and Eileen Childress.

Our activities are for those of you over 50 years of age. (We are flexible). Come out, join in the fun and have a cup of coffee. You are welcome to join our activities.

OBITUARIES

Marcelo Hernandez

Marcelo Hernandez, 77, died Sunday, Feb. 24, 2008 at his residence. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. today, Feb. 27, in Templo Bautista Jerusalem with burial in Lima Cemetery. Arrangements are by Preddy Funeral Home.

Mr. Hernandez was born Oct. 9, 1930 in Zaragosa, Coahuila Mexico.

Survivors include, eight daughters, Claudia Ramirez of Fort Worth, Martha Tijerina of Fort Worth, Julia Gonzalez of Grand Prairie, Juanita Cerna of Houston, Alicia Urbina of Del Rio, Nena Pizana of Houston, Francisca Avila of Mexico and Narcisca Avila of Mexico; six sons, Marcelo Hernandez of Fort Worth, Jesus Hernandez of Brownsville, Juan Avila, Francisco Avila and Amenco Avila all of Ozona and Camilo Avila of Grand Prairie and 57 grandchildren.

'Answers on Aging' program Thursday at the Senior Center

The Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley strives to provide information, assistance, and services to the older citizens of Crockett County.

AAA staff will be available to assist individuals from 10-11 a.m. Feb. 28 at the Crockett County Senior Center.

Needing to learn more about services offered?

"Answers on Aging" is designed to provide information about services and programs available to older individuals.

Needing to apply for services?

Intake Specialists will be available to assist you with any questions you may have.

Programs that are housed in the Area Agency on Aging include Advocacy (Texas Silver Haired Legislature), Benefits Counseling (Medicare Part D), Care Coordination (Prescription & Utility Assistance, Home

Modifications), Caregiver Support (Respite Care), Foster Grandparent Program (Mentoring Children), Ombudsman Program (Advocates For Long-Term Care Residents), Senior Companion Program (Companions For The Elderly) and 2-1-1 of the Concho Valley (Health & Human Services Information).

A wide variety of printed information covering various topics will also be available.

Please feel free to stop by and visit with the Area Agency on Aging staff when we visit your community. We look forward to speaking with you.

For more information, call Lindsey M. Elliott, Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley at (325) 223-5704 or toll-free at 1-877-944-9666.

The Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services funds services of the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley.

Care Center Chatter

By ANNA HERNANDEZ
Care Center Volunteer

We had a great week. My name is Anna Hernandez and I will be helping Marta while Elsa is having surgery.

We started this week by playing Jingo on Monday afternoon. We really enjoy this game because it makes us use our brain.

Tuesday we all enjoyed a cup of ice cream, and colored calendars to get ready for the up-

coming Easter holiday.

Wednesday we played our favorite game, Mexican Bingo. Mexican Bingo helps us learn some Spanish and others to improve theirs.

Thursday was a great day. We all went outside to enjoy the beautiful day. Thank you to the Care Center staff for helping us take our afternoon walk.

On Feb. 14, we enjoyed the company of Wanda and the Birthday Group from Iraan who came and sang gospel songs to

us. This past Friday, we played dominoes, ate some popcorn and watched some TV.

On behalf of the Care Center residents and staff, we would like to thank Ann Shaw and Patsy Hester for donating our bingo prizes.

We would like our Assistant Activity Director Elsa Vasquez to know that she is in our prayers. We wish her a good and speedy recovery because we all already miss her.

Monthly Nutrition/Food Pantry program Friday

The Nutrition/Food Pantry program will be held at 9:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 29, at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

This class focuses on nutritious foods and spending food money wisely. Recipes will be

given. The class is open to all interested persons. However, in order to receive a food box, participants must pre-register.

For more information, call E.A. Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.

Monthly diabetes support group meeting Thursday

The Wesley Nurse Program hosts a monthly diabetes support group at the Ozona United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

The next meeting is at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 28.

This support group is a good continuation for all who have attended any part of the "Do Well,

Be Well" with diabetes class but is open to anyone.

Various topics and activities are part of the monthly meeting including cooking, diabetes care, medications, research and general discussion.

For more information, call E.A. Wadsworth R.N. at 392-3060.



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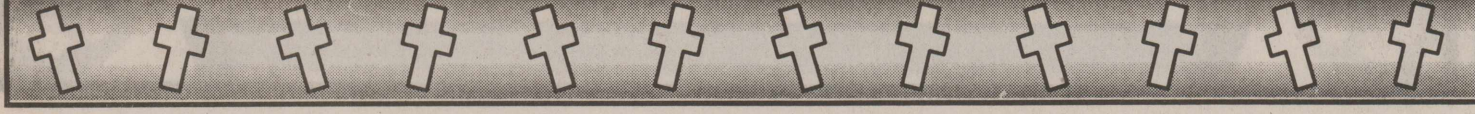
<p>First Baptist Church 901 Ave. D Rev. John Collis Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Awanas: Wednesday - 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Ozona Church of Christ 1002 11th St. Mr. Johnnie Perkins Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:00 p.m. Sun. Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.</p>	<p>Ozona United Methodist Church 12 - 11th St. Rev. John Fluth Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.</p>
<p>Templo Bautista Jerusalem 138 Blas St. Rev. Esequiel Cervantez Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m, 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Faith Lutheran Church 802 1st St. Pastor Tom Baden Worship: Sunday - 7 p.m. Bible Class: Sunday - 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Templo Siloe Assembly of God Church 2121 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Dan & Ann Rios Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Family Service: 6:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Iglesia Bautista Nueva Vida Corner of Secretariat & Man O' War Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Service: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Church of God of Prophecy 102 Man O' War St. Pastor Mario De La Mora Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Worship: 4:30 p.m. Tues. & Fri: 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Lady of Perpetual Help 219 Martinez St. Fr. Rodney White Sun. Mass: 11 a.m. Sat.: 7 p.m. M. W. F. - 8:30 a.m. Thurs.: 7 p.m.</p>
<p>Calvary Baptist Church 601 Ave. I Sunday School: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Wed. & Sun. Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Attend the Church of your choice this Sunday</p>	
<p>New Beginnings Church 701 9th Street Pastor Jesse Cardona Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Tuesday Worship: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Apostolic Church 307 Santa Rosa St. Rev. Hector De La Cruz Sunday School: 3 p.m. Worship: 5 p.m. Thur. Service: 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia de Cristo Hwy 163 S. at Quail Run Interim - Ray Valadez Sunday Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship: 11 a.m. Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wed. Bible Study: 6 p.m.</p>

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Ozona Garden Club News

By CHARLOTTE HARRELL
Ozona Garden Club

The Ozona Garden Club met Feb. 11 at Soto Inc., offices of Bob and Vivian Childress. Hostesses Charlotte Harrell and Vivian Childress treated the members to a salad luncheon.

The date for our Flower Show has been changed to Tuesday, April 15, from 4-6 p.m. Any non-garden club members who would like to submit horticulture entries are welcome to do so. Please bring these entries to the Crockett County Civic Center Monday, April 14, from 2-4 p.m. or on Tuesday, April 15, from 8:30-9:30 a.m. For more information, contact any garden club member.

Charlotte Harrell showed the members the design backdrop, for which raffle tickets are being sold to raise funds for District VIII's share of expenses for the 2009 National Garden Club convention to be held in Houston in May 2009. Raffle tickets cost \$2 each or 6 for \$10. All club presidents in District VIII have been given a supply of tickets to sell.

Members agreed to increase the club's donations to the fol-

lowing Texas Garden Club funds: Brookwood Project, \$30; Building Maintenance Fund, \$30; Endowment Fund, \$30; Headquarters Landscape Fund, \$30; Scholarship Fund, \$30 and Headquarters Office Fund, \$30 for a total of \$180 per year.

Members agreed to honor our club president, Jerri Lynn Pierce, by placing her name in the President's Book.

Charlotte Harrell distributed registration forms for the March 7-8 District VIII Convention to be held in Del Rio.

Each year a Garden Club Member of the Year is honored at the Texas Garden Clubs state convention. Our club will present Marolyn Bean's name to the District VIII committee for consideration.

After the business meeting, members went to the Hitchin Post where Debi Hamilton gave a program, demonstrating the correct way to prune rose bushes.

Members present were Marolyn Bean, Lana Chandler, Vivian Childress, Arlene Clayton, Debi Hamilton, Charlotte Harrell, Jeannine Henderson, Pamela Maresch, Jerri Lynn Pierce, Carmen Sutton, Jan Van Shoubrouck and Celia West.

Card of Thanks

The Fierro and Sanchez family would like to thank the community of Ozona and the many friends and family that helped us get through the loss of our friend, brother, husband, and father Manuel Fierro. We would also like to thank everyone at the Crockett County Care Center and Dr. Sims; you all are so wonderful and thoughtful. You do an amazing job day in and day out. Thanks to everyone that brought flowers and food, special thanks to Rosario and Benny for feeding us almost every day during my dad's last days and during our loss. Special thanks to Luis and Theresa Martinez, Ronnie Fierro & Hospice of San Angelo, Fred Fierro, Hector De La Garza, Albino and Anna, Ramon Sanchez, Jeff & Val Sanchez, and Cynthia and Carmen for helping us with the rosary. We would also like to thank the Guadalupanas for the wonderful meal after the service and Fr. Rodney and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Choir for their assistance. I am sure we have forgotten someone, but know that your prayers and thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated during our time of need.

Rosa Fierro, Steve & Melissa Sanchez & family,
Mac & Nana Fierro & family.

Ozona schools gear up for TAKS testing

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

Another TAKS testing season will begin next week in Ozona Schools.

Students will begin taking the annual required Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills Tests Wednesday, March 5.

The original test date was set for Tuesday, March 4, but was then changed by the Texas Education Agency due to March 4 being Primary Election Day.

TAKS tests are scheduled through April to the beginning of May.

High school juniors will be taking the exit level TAKS tests. Students must pass this test in order for them to graduate high school.

In order to be promoted to the next grade level, students must show success on TAKS in grades 3, 5 and 8 reading and grades 5 and 8 math. Additionally, students must also make passing grades to be promoted, said Superintendent Abe Gott.

Students are given several attempts to retake the test after the initial test date.

One change to this year's test is a federal law that requires all students must take a test on grade level. In the past students in special education would take the State Development Alternative Assessment test, which would test the student on their subject level.

This year, special education

TAKS TEST SCHEDULE:

March 5 - Writing Grades 4 & 7; Reading Grades 3, 5, 8, 9 and English /Language Arts Grades 10 & Exit Level

April 8 - Mathematics Grades 5 & 8

April 29 - Mathematics Grades 3, 4, 6, 7 & 10

April 30 - Reading 4, 6, 7 and Exit Level Mathematics

May 1 - Science Grades 5, 8, 10 & Exit Level Science and Mathematics Grade 9

May 2 - Social Studies Grades 8, 10 & Exit Level

students are taking the TAKS Accommodated, TAKS Modified or TAKS Alternative tests.

The TAKS Accommodated is on the students' grade level, the print is larger and there are not as many questions. The TAKS Modified is larger print and less answer choices. The TAKS Alternative is an online test for severally handicapped students.

Scoring standards for the TAKS test have also been raised.

To be academically acceptable, students must score a 70 percent in reading, which is up from 65 percent, a 50 percent in math, which is up from 45 percent, and a 45 percent in science, which is up from 40 percent, Gott said.

Each testing situation must also have a seating chart on file, Gott said.

"Teachers and campuses are continuing to address student needs. However, we are looking at what changes we need to

make for next year to address student needs both now and for their future," Gott said.

Janina Savala, counselor for the primary and intermediate schools, offers these tips to parents for testing day:

- Let your child know that you are proud of their efforts and that you have confidence in what they can accomplish.

- Make sure your child sleeps well for several nights before the test. Try not to go out of town the weekend before.

- Have your child eat a good breakfast. All campuses will serve a snack during testing times.

- Make sure your child arrives on time on the day of the test.

- Make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and the classroom climate to avoid discomfort during the test.

- Explain how important the test is but do not put undue pressure on your child.

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Lady Lions softball wins consolation at Crane Tourney

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

The Lady Lions Softball team traveled to Crane to compete in the 4th annual Lady Bird Classic.

The Lady Lions competed against Denver City in the first game of pool play and lost 4-6.

"We played great to start the game and then our bats fell asleep," said Coach John Esparza.

The next pool game the Lady Lions faced brought a 9-8 victory against McCamey.

"This was an exciting game that was back and fourth. We did not play as good of defense as we would have liked but trailing 5-8 going into the bottom of the fourth, we were able to get runs across to win the game," Esparza said.

On Friday, the Lady Lions lost to Seminole 15-0 and Kermit 14-0.

"Both of these teams are playoff teams and we held our own, but we just could not get out of innings," Esparza said.

In the third game of the day, the Lady Lions faced Reagan County and lost 9-11.

"We had chances and were unable to capitalize on them and came up short," Esparza said.

After pool play, the Lady Lions were seated fifth and had

to play Lamesa. The Lady Lions fell 2-3.

"This was by far our best game defensively. We had a few mental errors early in the first inning that cost us two runs, but after that we played some great shut down defense," Esparza said.

With the loss the Lady Lions would again face McCamey for Consolation winning 17-10.

"We started off great taking a 9-1 lead, but we got sloppy and were not as aggressive at the plate," Esparza said. "McCamey would get with in one point being down 11-10 going into the seventh. We came together and said we have to finish this, and our bats came alive scoring 6 runs including a three run triple. We then closed the deal with a three up three down bottom half. Overall this was a great tournament for us. We are still trying to find the right mix of girls and still learning a lot about what it takes to win."

Playing for the Lady Lions were Morgan Glosson, Brooke Kelly, Cassandra Salazar, Vicky Treto, Cristina Rodriguez, Alysha Lara, Amber Lewis, Melissa Miller, Brandi Glosson, Alex Cruz, Lauren Najar, Rea Lynn Arredondo, Rebecca Ramos, Britni Mitchel and Kellie Pilcher.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

CASSANDRA SALAZAR stretches to catch the ball and tag a runner out for the Lady Lions.



Photo by Joe Hernandez

KELLIE PILCHER throws a fastball for the Lady Lions. The Lady Lions Softball Team won Consolation at the Crane Tournament.



Submitted Photo

JULIA HENDERSON WON FIRST PLACE in the "A" division at the Central High School tennis tourney this past Thursday.



Submitted Photo

STEVEN SILVA AND PUJA BHAKTA won 3rd place in the "B" division at the Central High School tennis tourney last Thursday.

Ozona Lions baseball team starts season at Sonora Tournament

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

The Ozona Lions Baseball team started the season last weekend at the Dry Devil's River Classic in Sonora.

The Lions are young but led by three good seniors, Josh Santos, Rylee Ramos and Mark Tambunga, said Coach Ronny Clayton.

"These three look to anchor what will be a very young team this year. In three games in Sonora we started at least four freshmen each game," Clayton said.

All three seniors batted over .600 during the tournament.

Santos batted a .625, had 2 RBIs and scored 6 runs. Ramos was 6 for 9 on the day for a

.667 and 3 RBIs. Tambunga was even better than his two teammates batting a whopping .714, 7 RBIs, 3 runs with an inside the park homerun, Clayton said.

The team began the day by falling to two area power houses in Grape Creek and Coahoma.

Both teams went 3 or 4 rounds into the playoffs last year and will most likely do the same this year, Clayton said.

Grape Creek beat the Lions 13-3 and Coahoma outslugged Ozona 19-11.

"Since most of our pitchers had just gotten out of basketball our pitching arms were not quite ready. Ramos steps up to take over the leadership of the pitching staff this year," Clayton said.

Ramos threw one inning each in the first two games.

"He (Ramos) was a little rusty but got better as the day wore on. He pitched three very good innings in the night cap against our biggest rival, Sonora," Clayton said.

Ozona came up short, 8-5, against the Broncos.

"We improved with each game. Abey Lara showed that he can play with the big boys. He started at short and pitched three innings on the day," Clayton said.

Other freshmen that started were Anthony Gonzales, Russel Komechak and Austin Sudreth.

"All four of these saw some pitching time. Eric Talamantez saw quite a bit of playing time in leftfield. Bailey Badillo saw limited playing time at first base, due to a track injury. Bai-

ley is the lone sophomore on the team," Clayton said.

Two juniors on the team are Tommy Longoria and Steven Silva. Clayton said he plans on Longoria to see some time at second base and the outfield, while Silva should help out on the mound, first base when Ramos is pitching and is very capable of playing centerfield.

Josh Smith and Gilbert Gomez are two seniors who are joining the Lions baseball team for the first time. Both of these players saw quite a bit of action in the tournament as they were learning to run. Both are also learning to play second base and the outfield, Clayton said.

The Lions will compete in the Crane Tournament this weekend.

OMS Lady Lions win second, third at Colt Relays

By **MELISSA PERNER**
Editor and Publisher

The OMS Lady Lions competed in the Colt Relays in Sonora on Feb. 22.

The Eighth Grade Lady Lions won second, while the Seventh Grade Lady Lions took third.

Eighth Grade Lady Lions results:

- Shot Put - 3. Nancy Rodriguez; 4. Emalee Hamilton and 6. Gaby Gutierrez
- Triple Jump - 3. Alex Rodriguez and 4. Adrienne Sanchez
- Long Jump - 1. Alex Rodriguez and 6. Maria Villarreal
- Discus - 1. Emalee Hamilton

- High Jump - 4. Natalie Hernandez and 6. Jennifer Venegas
- 2400-meter run - 1. Maria Villarreal
- 800-meter run - 1. Alex Rodriguez and 3. Maria Villarreal
- 110-meter hurdles - 1. Jennifer Venegas; 2. Natalie Hernandez and 3. Adrienne Sanchez

- 100-meter dash - 3. Stacie Quiroz and 6. Maria Villarreal
- 400-meter dash - 1. Emalee Hamilton and 4. Gaby Gutierrez
- 300-meter hurdles - 2. Natalie Hernandez; 3. Jennifer Venegas and 4. Adrienne Sanchez
- 1600-meter run - 3. Gaby Gutierrez

- 1600-meter relay - 2. Emalee Hamilton, Stacie Quiroz, Natalie Hernandez and Alex Rodriguez

Seventh Grade Lady Lions results:

- Shot Put - 4. Marley Tambunga and 5. Jacinda Villarreal
- Pole Vault - 3. Cynthia Garcia
- Discus - 3. Alex Lozano and 5. Kaylen Hernandez
- 2400-meter run - 2. Tesla Caperton and 3. Jessica Borrego
- 800-meter run - 2. Arleen Castillo and 4. Trinity Collis
- 400-meter relay - 3. Jacinda Villarreal, Alex Lozano, Elisa Tambunga, Arleen Castillo

- 110-meter hurdles - 3. Sierra Trevino; 4. Cynthia Garcia and 6. Tesla Caperton
- 100-meter dash - 5. Jacinda Villarreal
- 400-meter dash - 5. Stephanie Cervantes and 6. Ingrid Silva

- 1600-meter relay - 2. Cynthia Garcia, Sierra Trevino, Alex Lozano, Elisa Tambunga
- 800-meter relay - 3. Stephanie Cervantes, Ingrid Silva, Jacinda Villarreal, Arleen Castillo
- 300-meter hurdles - 3. Cynthia Garcia; 4. Serra Trevino and 6. Tesla Caperton
- 1600-meter run - 2. Trinity Collis

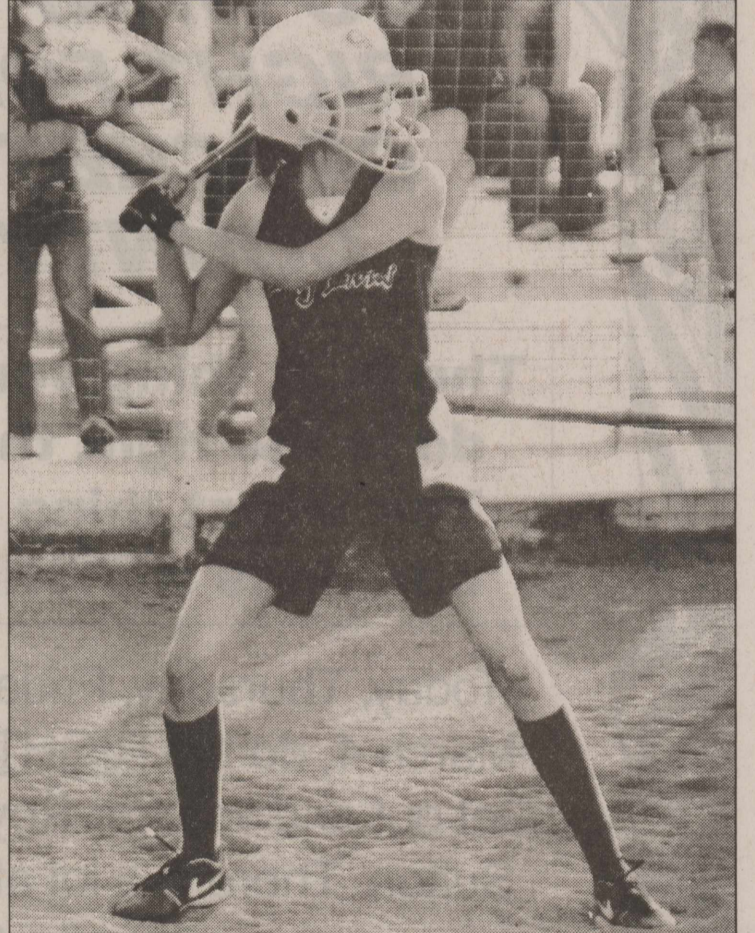


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Fifth Grade - Wade Allen, Harrison Gott, Bryce Gutierrez, Brianna Lozano, Melissa Lozano, Jadie Marshall, Bethany Martinez, Jon-Luke Rodriguez, Yeni Rodriguez, Alan Salazar and Nathaniel Valdes

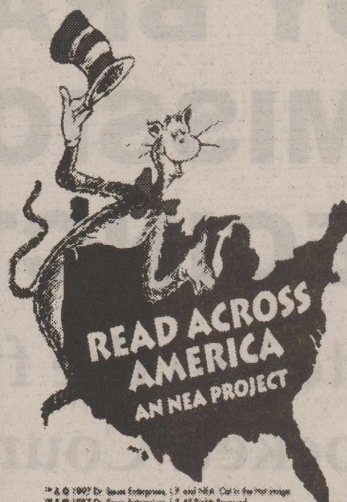
Mendoza, Anthony Perez, Jadon Perez, Jonathan Posas, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Kelly Sewell, Kabir Shah, Meagan Shook, Jasmine Talamantez, Juan Tambunga, Azaylea Tovar and Autumn Villarreal
Fourth Grade - Adison Aaron, Annie Adames, Narda Aguilar, Benito Badillo, Rikki Chavez, Madison Childress, Ricardo Damian, Kristen Fierro, John Gomez, Maria Guerrero, Cristina Hernandez, Felipe Irilas, Taylor Luna, Gina Marquez, William Martin, Noe Medina, Lauren Miles, Kalen Perez, April Ramoz, Alondra Rodriguez, Caitlin Rodriguez, Jacob Talamantez, Ashley Vargas, Duston Vargas, Juan Venegas and William Whitten
Fifth Grade - Justice Adkins, Angel Aguilar, Megan Bulard, Victoria Grannis, Marissa Held, Michael Hill, Evan Parker, Juan Rodriguez, Leonel Rodriguez, Maira Rodriguez, Nydia Valdes and Dalan Wilson



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OZONA HEAD START VALENTINE KING and QUEEN Jaron Villarreal and Reagan Barrera. The Parent Committee of the Ozona Head Start would like to thank the community for their participation in our fund-raiser, Queen and King's race. It was a tremendous success. The total amount raised was \$2,628.02. We would like to thank Ozona National Bank for their assistance.

Primary school to host Read Across America



Ozona Primary School will take part in Read Across America to help celebrate Dr. Seuss's 104th birthday. The event will take place from 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 6. Read Across America is a National Education Association Campaign to motivate children to read. Ozona Primary School will have Round Robin Reading where children will move from room to room to hear school staff and community members read their favorite children's stories.

Mommy & Me
Daddy & Me
Mardi Gras Dance

Friday, Feb. 29
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Civic Center

Tickets will be sold at the door
\$8.00/Couple
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Preschool-5th Grade
ALL children must be accompanied by an adult - NO EXCEPTIONS

Cookies & punch will be served
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392-2710

OHS Feb. 15 Pool Tourny Winners

1. Chris Lara
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3. Chris Fierro

Youth Center Calendar of Events

March 3 - OHS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

March 4 - OMS Food Night, 7-10 p.m.

Donations are currently being accepted for the Youth Center Scholarship Fund account at ONB

LITTLE LEAGUE COACHES MEETING

Anyone interested in being involved in T-ball, Minor League or Major League
6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 28 at the baseball concession stand
For more information, call 226-3110

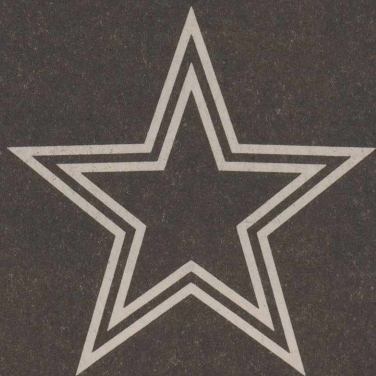
LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL SIGN-UPS

T-Ball (5-6 year-olds)
Minor League (7-9 year-olds)
Major League (10-12 year-olds)
5:30-7 p.m. March 4 & March 5 at the baseball fields
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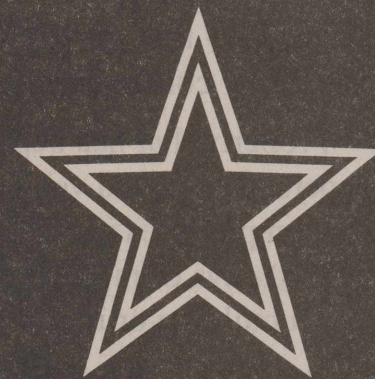
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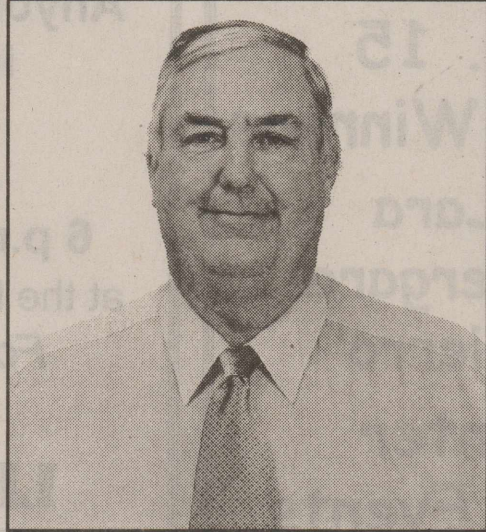
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BOARD: Additional security cameras purchased

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The students' names and punishments were not released due to the students being juveniles.

CONTRACT EXTENSIONS

The board unanimously approved the recommendations from the superintendent for the following contract extensions:

Principals

- Carole Allen - extend contract another year to 2010
- Benny Granger - offer 2-year contract to 2010
- Manley Holmes - do not extend contract another year (current contract ends 2009)
- Dan Webb - extend contract year to 2010

Counselors

- Janina Savala - extend contract another year to 2010
- Amanda Jackson - extend contract another year to 2010
- Laurie Bray - extend contract another year to 2010

Directors

- Coty Tidwell - extend contract another year to 2010
- Matt Gutierrez - offer 2-year contract to 2010
- Gretchen Bloebaum - extend contract another year to 2010

NEW BUSES ARE IN

The new Blue Bird charter-style buses are in and have been "rolling up and down the road," said Ray Don Myers, maintenance and transportation supervisor.

Myers said the district's suburbans are going to have be upgraded, which will be probably be on the 2008-2009 budget.

New lockers for the field house will be in March 3 and renovations to the floor are scheduled to be completed this summer, Myers said.

ADDITIONAL SECURITY CAMERAS

The board approved a bid of

\$45,490 from Enter-tel for additional security cameras.

"We need more cameras, there's just more places in the district we don't have covered," Gott said.

The board had previously approved \$50,000 for the security cameras currently at the district.

OTHER ITEMS APPROVED

• The board accepted a bid of \$5,250 for one of the two charter buses the district is trying to sell. The district will re-bid for the other charter bus.

• Letter of engagement for the district's financial audit for the year ending Aug. 31, 2008 with Eckert, Ingram, Tinkler, Oliphant, Featherston & Bear L.L.P.

• Board policy update #82, local board policy update 504 designation to Dan Webb and changes to local board policy FEB.

The board had to table any action on the resignation email submitted by member Carol Buie, due to the fact that Buie's signature is needed in order for the resignation to be approved.

The next regular school board meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. March 26 at the Administration Building.

Renfroe named to Texas Tech Dean's List

Aaron Renfroe has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2007 semester at Texas Tech University.

To be eligible for the Dean's List a student must earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher during a semester.

Renfroe is a sophomore majoring in interdisciplinary agriculture.

He is the son of Billy Dell and Bobbie Renfroe of Ozona.

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A public nuisance is:

- Property that has kept, stored or accumulated trash, unless the trash is entirely contained in closed receptacle.
- Property that has kept, stored or accumulated trash, including newspapers, abandoned vehicles, refrigerators, stoves, furniture, tires, and cans, on premises in a neighborhood or within 300 feet of a public street for 10 days or more, unless the trash or object is completely enclosed in a building or is not visible from a public street.
- Property that has allowed weeds to grow on a premises in a neighborhood if the weeds are located within 300 feet of another residence or commercial establishment.
- A building that is structurally unsafe or constitutes a hazard to safety, health or public welfare because of inadequate maintenance, unsanitary conditions, dilapidation, obsolescence, disaster, damage or abandonment or because it constitutes a fire hazard.

Clean up procedures:

- Written notice will be given to owner or person in charge of the property.
- The owner will then have 30 days to clean up the property.
- Failure to comply with the written notice can be charged with a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$200. Failure to comply with the court order can result in another fine.

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TRIAL: Lozano 'showed no emotion' for her actions

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"It's like I have been black balled," she said.

Sutton County Probation Officer Donald Gutierrez testified that Lozano showed no remorse during the pre-sentencing investigation conducted by Gutierrez.

"She only showed remorse when it came to her and her situation. She showed no emotion for her fellow students or the school district," Gutierrez said.

It was also mentioned during testimony during the hearing that Lozano is currently under investigation for assault charges involving an incident between her and her older sister.

Lozano was allowed to graduate from Sonora High School in 2006. During the trial, testimony was given that SISD officials had filed charges in municipal court against Lozano and her family during Lozano's junior and senior years for her irregular attendance in school.

District Attorney Laurie English also stated that Lozano showed a lack of remorse for the trouble she had caused the community and school district.

"I would consider the emotion and the economic toll to the community of Sonora and to the school district," English said during her closing remarks to Judge Jones. "She cares very little about how this affected the community. I also feel it will be very difficult for her to comply with the rules of probation."

In his closing remarks, Assistant District Attorney Stephen Smith said that Lozano knew what her actions could cause due to a previous bomb threat being made at the Sonora schools two weeks before.

"She didn't care about what happened. The focus was on her," Smith said. "She's not served any time in jail. We ask for 120 days

in jail if given probation due to the severity of the offense. The terror it created needs to be answered for."

Another person involved in the bomb threat, Christopher Robert James, pled guilty to terroristic threat in October 2006 before Judge Royal Hart.

Hart also sentenced James to five years probation and \$5,000 restitution to SISD.

Additionally, Hart also ordered James to serve 120 days in the county jail as a condition of his probation.

Currently, there is a warrant out for James as he has absconded and is not in compli-

ance with terms and conditions of his community supervision, according to a press release from the district attorney's office.

A third person has also been charged with involvement in the bomb threat and is still waiting on a formal court hearing.

"Law enforcement in Sonora did a great job of old fashioned police work in this investigation. As they investigated other cases with the community, officers and deputies learned information that led them to the three defendants responsible for the second bomb threat," English stated in the press release.

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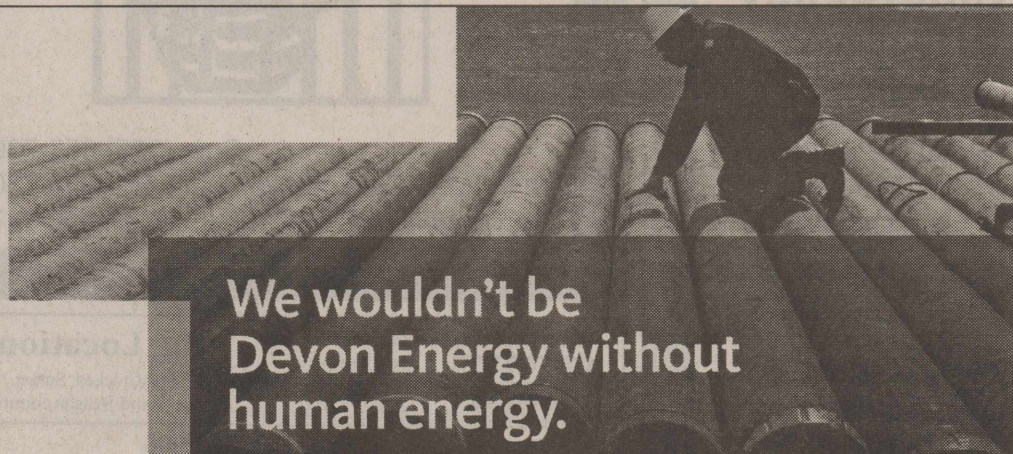
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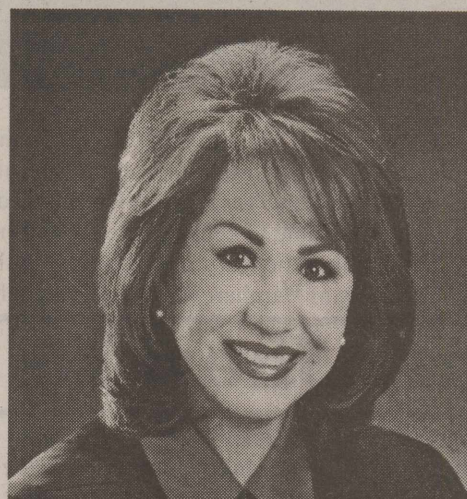
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Local EMS runs

FEBRUARY 19
• Local Run Transported patient to Family Health Clinic
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• Local Run Transported patient to intercept with Air Med 1

• Transfer Transported patient to Shannon Medical Center
FEBRUARY 21
• Transfer Transported patient to Shannon Medical Center
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FEBRUARY 22
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FEBRUARY 23
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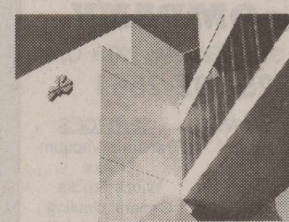


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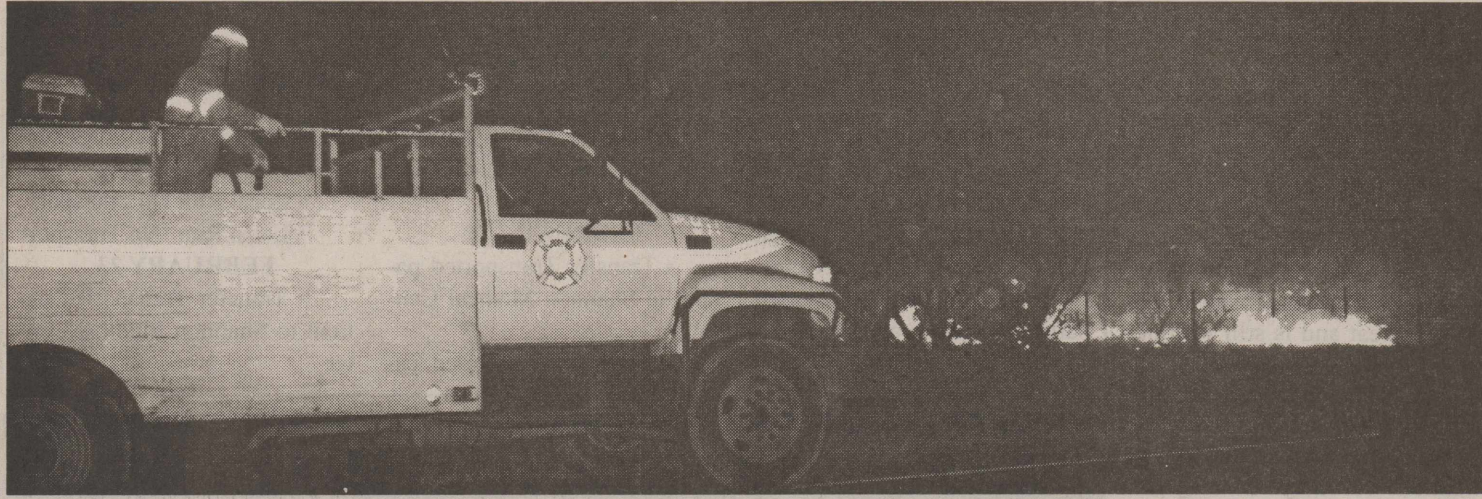


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SONORA FIRE FIGHTERS try to extinguish a fire north of Ozona off of Vaughn Field Road (County Road 204, about 12 miles down State Highway 137). The fire broke out Monday night and crews were still working it Tuesday morning. Ozona, Schleicher and Sonora fire departments, along with Crockett County Crews, Nabors Well Service and Texas Energy responded to the fire. The intersection of 137 and 163 was closed at one point due to smoke and fire. Fire fighters were able to keep the fire away from any houses in the area. The blaze spread due to gusty winds and dry conditions causing smoke to blow into the town of Ozona and in the southwestern part of the county. Ozona fire fighters also spent Monday helping to fight a grass fire north of Barnhart which has covered more than 20,000 acres.

Crockett County Sheriff's Report

CROCKETT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS REPORT	
TYPE OF CALLS	# OF CALLS
Abandoned/impounded vehicles/property	3
Livestock/Wild Animal Complaints	8
Domestic Animal Calls	9
Civil Service	3
Courtesy Transports	1
Criminal Complaints, Disturbances, Etc.	23
Gas Thefts	1
Juvenile Complaints	4
Locked Vehicles	6
911 Fire Calls, Admin. Calls	6
911 Vehicle Accidents	2
911 Medical calls/ Transfers	10
Motorist Assistance/Gas Welfare	10
Reckless driving/speeding complaints	3
Assist other Law or county Agencies	2
Sheriff's Office Admin Calls	23
Jail/dispatch Admin Calls	11
Suspicious Persons/Vehicle/Activity	6
Welfare Concern for Citizen/Property	1
Minor Vehicle Accidents with no injuries	3
Traffic Citations Issued	8
Prisoners Currently in custody/Ozona	8
Prisoners Housed in other counties	8
Impounded Animals Feb. 19-Feb 25 (Contact Ozona Veterinary Clinic 392-2411)	
• 2 cats from Senior Apartments	
• 1 cat from 1900 block Mulberry Street	
• 1 gray cat 1500 block Piedra Street	
• 1 yellow/white cat 11th Street.	

WEEKLY NEWS REPORT

The following persons have outstanding Crockett County Warrants. It is recommended that these persons surrender into custody at the Crockett County Sheriff's Office as soon as possible.

• Blas Ramos Jr., Crockett County J.P. warrant - no drivers' license and restrained child.

• Gilberto Montelongo Mata, Crockett County J.P. warrant - minor in consumption of alcohol.

• John Mansell Clark, of Ozona - Crockett County Court unlawful restrained of a minor after indictment.

• Kindal De Hoyos Porras, of Ozona/San Angelo - Crockett County Justice of the Peace - capias pro-fine on four unresolved traffic offenses.

• Misty Renee Cox, of Ozona - Crockett County Justice of the Peace court warrant, possession of drug paraphernalia and five traffic violations.

• Jim Ramirez Etheridge, of Ozona - Crockett County court warrant - motion to revoke/possession of controlled substance.

ARREST REPORT

2-19-08
• Martha Jean Williams, age 36 of Ozona, arrested on view by sheriff's deputy for assault causing bodily injury/elderly, she posted bail and was released.

2-20-08
• Molly Ann Munoz, 34, of Ozona, arrested on view by DPS Trooper for driving while intoxicated-second. She remains in custody pending trial/bail.

2-22-08
• Eric Augustine Williams, 20, of Ozona, arrested with warrant by sheriff's deputy for motion to revoke/aggravated assault.

• Juan Gilberto Garcia, 34, of Dallas, arrested by DPS Trooper with a Dallas County warrant of failure to pay child support. He remains in custody pending transfer.

2-24-08
• Nino Castillo Tambunga,

41, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with a Texas Pardon and Parole warrant for parole violation and a 112th District Court warrant for unlawful possession of firearm by felon. He remains in custody pending trial/parole disposition.

2-25-08

• Brenda Rodriguez Ramos, of Ozona, arrested by sheriff's deputy with felony warrant of unlawful possession of firearm by felon. She remains in custody pending bail/trial.

INCIDENT REPORTS

2-19-08

• Sheriff's office filed a terroristic threat report when a juvenile reported getting a threat of violence at a public school. Upon further investigation, suspects were identified, and will have warrants of criminal charges issued.

2-20-08

• Sheriff's office filed an assault causing bodily injury/elderly/family violence report. A disturbance complaint at 1900 block of Mulberry Street resulted in arrest of one female suspect.

• Sheriff's office filed an abandoned vehicle report. A vehicle with California license plate was left at parking area of a business on 11th Street. Vehicle was impounded by local duty wrecker.

2-22-08

• A theft of more than \$1,500 less than \$20,000 report was filed by oil company employee. Unknown person(s) took property off a site on County Road 102.

• A theft of more than \$1,500 less than \$20,000 report was filed by ranch owner. Unknown person(s) took property off a construction site on State Highway 137. Investigation continues.

2-24-08

• Sheriff's office filed an unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon report. A known person was arrested at 300 block of 3rd Street on a parole violation warrant, further investigation uncovered a firearm at the residence. Warrants were issued on two suspects.

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• 6:12 p.m. - Reported grass fire on Interstate-10 at mile-marker 341, unable to locate. Three units and four fire fighters.

FEBRUARY 19
• 7:52 p.m. - Small grass fire two miles north on County Raod 204, about 1 acre. Four units and nine fire fighters.

FEBRUARY 21
• 4:30 p.m. - Grass fire in the Fort Lancaster area 60 acres. Four units and seven fire fighters.

FEBRUARY 22
• 9:40 p.m. - Motor vehicle accident reported at mile-marker 374 on Interstate-10, call was cancelled. Did not leave station prior to cancel.

FEBRUARY 24
• 10:32 a.m. - Grass fire in the center median at mile-marker 339 on I-10. Small fire was extinguished. Two units and three fire fighters.

ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING

The Commissioners' Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning; and NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Crockett County, Texas, that outdoor burning is restricted in Crockett County for 30 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court. This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by an approved Prescribed Burning Association, National Resource Conservation Service, the and/or Texas A&M Agricultural Experiment Station, or prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

All burns shall be reported to the Crockett County Sheriff's Office (325) 392-2661 and the Fire Chief (325) 392-2626 prior to commencing, together with the name of the landowner, location involved and expert to be on hand.

This Order does NOT prohibit outdoor cooking in a properly contained area which is attended at all times.

In accordance with the Local Government Code 352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.

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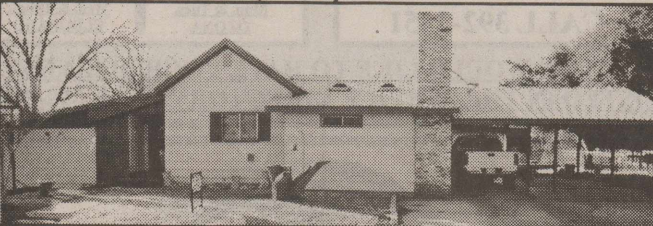
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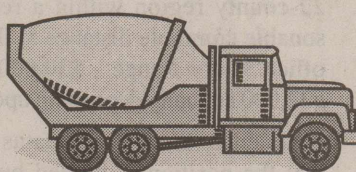
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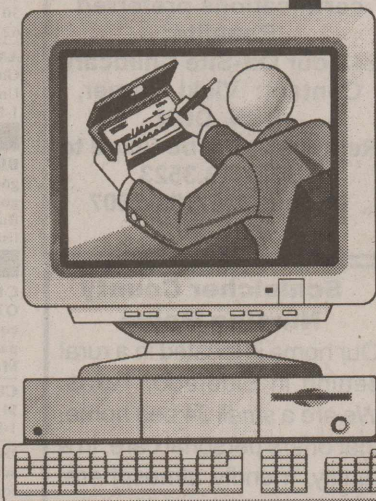
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